seaboard cities impregnable, and the interests heretofore mentioned are of national as well as international importance, and the acquisition and change in said canal necessary to fit it for the purposes aforesaid can be effected at a comparatively small expense when the vast importance of the work is considered, therefore,

Request to Representatives.

Be it resolved by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the Representatives and Senators from Maryland in the Congress of the United States are hereby requested to use their best efforts to secure an appropriation by the Federal Government of sufficient money to acquire and enlarge the said Chesapeake and Delaware Canal, in order that it may be used by the war ships of the navy and the merchants shipping, as an inland waterway, for the purposes of public defense and international commerce.

Copy of resolutions to be sent.

And be it further resolved, That the Governor of Maryland be and he is hereby requested without delay to transmit a copy of these resolutions to each of the said Representatives and Senators from Maryland.

## No. 7.

Joint Resolution requesting our Senators and Representatives from the State of Maryland in Congress assembled to use their best efforts to secure the encampment of National Troops at Oakland, in Garrett county, Maryland.

Preamble.

WHEREAS, That national troops are concentrated annually and encamped in several sections of the United States; and

WHEREAS, The climate of Oakland, Garrett county, its beautiful surroundings, isolation from large cities, transportation facilities, low temperature during the summer months, at which time said encampment is held, makes it an eminently proper place for the holding of such an encampment; now, therefore,

Request to Representatives.

Be it resolved by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the Senators and Representatives from Maryland in Congress assembled be and they are hereby requested to use their best efforts to make known the advantages of Oakland, Garrett county, Maryland, for a national army camp or encampment and to secure the location of the national army encampment at Oakland, Garrett county Maryland; and

Copy of resolutions to be sent.

Be it further resolved, That the Governor be and he is hereby requested to send a copy of these resolutions properly engrossed, with the great seal of the State affixed, to each of the Senators and Representatives from Maryland in Congress assembled, and also a copy to the General of the United States Army.